

## MANAGEMENT UNIT 9 – TALACHULITNA WETLANDS

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### MANAGEMENT INTENT

Management Unit 9 contains approximately 30,000 acres of wetlands immediately south of Talachulitna Creek and west of the Talachulitna River. Tributaries of Talachulitna Creek and River drain out of this wetland, which services as a water recharge area and provides salmon spawning and rearing habitat. Additionally, the wetland supports moose feeding and calving. This management unit is also underlain by moderate coal values. Nearly all of this unit will be retained in public ownership and managed for fish and wildlife habitat, water resources and coal development. A small area in the southeastern portion of the unit will be available for disposal.

There are two subunits in this management unit: the wetlands that comprise the majority of the unit (9a) and the existing Super Cub Subdivision (9b). See the maps at the end of this section for boundaries of this area and the accompanying chart for a summary of the land uses within this management unit.

**Subunit 9a**, the wetland area, will be retained in long term public ownership for the protection of the water resources and fish and wildlife habitat.

**Subunit 9b** is the existing Super Cub Subdivision. There are over 100 surveyed lots within the subdivision that have not been sold yet. Remaining lots will continue to be available for sale over-the-counter.

### MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

The complete set of areawide management guidelines is presented in Chapter 2 of this plan. All of the guidelines potentially apply to uses within this management unit; however, those that are most likely to be applicable are indicated with asterisks in the list below.

- Agriculture
- \*Fish and Wildlife
- Forestry
- Recreation
- \*Settlement
- Subsurface
- Transportation
- Instream Flow
- Lakeshore Management
- Public Access
- Remote Cabin Permits
- Stream Corridors

- Trail Management
- \*Wetlands Management
- Resource Management

Management guidelines that apply to this management unit only are presented below.

#### **Subunit 9a (Wetlands)**

##### **Mining**

Public lands within 200' of the unnamed tributary to the Talachulitna River from Kitty Lakes will be closed to mineral location. The closure is intended to protect water quality and fish and wildlife habitat in one of the most important tributaries to the Talachulitna River.

# LAND USE DESIGNATION SUMMARY

SUBREGION Mt. Susitna

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SUBUNIT	LAND OWNERSHIP (GENERALIZED)	LAND USE DESIGNATIONS				PROHIBITED SURFACE USE(S)*	COMMENTS
		SURFACE		SUBSURFACE			
		PRIMARY USE(S)	SECONDARY USE(S)	LOCATABLE MINERALS	LEASEABLE MINERALS		
9a Wetlands	State	Water Resources Wildlife Habitat	Public Rec.	Open except along unnamed tributary to Talachulitna River (see management guidelines)	Available for leasing	Land Disposal Remote Cabins	Approximately 120 surveyed lots remain available over-the-counter
9b Super Cub	State	Settlement (existing subdivision)	Forestry (personal use) Public Rec. Wildlife Hab.	Closed	Not available for coal leasing or prospecting	Remote Cabins	

\*Other uses such as material sales, land leases, remote cabin permits, etc., that are not specifically prohibited may be allowed. Such uses will be allowed if consistent with the management intent statement and management guidelines of this unit, and with the relevant management guidelines in chapter 2.